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In re Application of:

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**PETITION TO WITHDRAW HOLDING OF ABANDONMENT
UNDER 37 C.F.R. 1.181(b)**

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Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

1. Applicant, respectfully petitions for withdrawal of the holding of abandonment on the grounds that a reply was timely faxed to the Patent Office.
2. A Notice of Abandonment was issued for failure to timely file a proper response to the Office letter as mailed on July 7, 2003. Applicant contends that a response to the Notice was faxed on to the U.S. Patent Office on January 6, 2004 (as indicated below).
3. Applicant encloses herewith a copy of the applicant's counsel's:
 - Fax machine confirmation sheet indicating 22 pages were successfully sent to the Patent Office

No auto-reply from the Patent Office was received

4.. Applicant filed the following documents on January 6, 2004 (a copy of each of the following documents are enclosed):

- Fax transmittal sheet (1 page)
- Fax transmittal confirmation (1 page)
- Fee Calculation Sheet (with deposit account authorization and signed and dated certificate of facsimile transmission) (in duplicate)) (2 pages)
- First Response (16 pages)
- Petition for three (3) months extension of time (1 page)
- Revocation and Substitute Power of Attorney (2 pages)

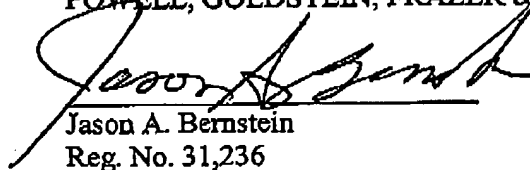
5. This petition is filed within one year of the alleged date of alleged abandonment.

6. No fee is required under 37 C.F.R. 1.181(b).

I declare that all statements made herein of are of my own knowledge are true and that all statements made on information and belief are believed to be true; and further that these statements were made with the knowledge that willful false statements and the like so made are punishable by fine or imprisonment, or both, under Section 1001 of Title 18 of the United States Code, and that such willful false statements may jeopardize the validity of the application, any patent issuing thereon, or any patent to which this verified statement is directed.

Respectfully submitted,

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